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POSITION TO THE CHOICE OF THE
FIFTH-AVE. PLAZA.

SUBJECT—FINAL DECISION POSTPONED.

opened by the reading of a long paper from the Fine Arts Federation protesting against the erection of the plaza at Fifty-ninth-st. and Fifth-ave. and suggesting the selection of West Seventy-second-st. as the most suitable site.

The Fine Arts Federation argued that the character of the buildings around the Fifth-ave. plaza was such as would dwarf and demean the monument. It was represented, also, that the monument placed at the end of West Seventy-second-st., if raised Park, would really beautify the Park, and that it would be a conspicuous object, to be seen from many points.

The paper was signed by the officers of the Society of Mural Painters, the American Society of Arts, the National Academy of Design, the National Sculpture Society, the Society of American Artists, the Architectural League of New-York and the Municipal Art Society.

liberally treated already regarding monuments, and that it was high time for the East Side to receive a little consideration. Mr. Bloomfield said that artists and architects did not make the masses; that the object of the monuments was to commemorate deeds of bravery and to instruct the people, and that therefore the memorial should be placed where it could be seen by the majority of New-Yorkers. Mr. J. H. Sturges, of the Fine Arts Federation, declared that in placing a monument the city should

an eye to the beautiful, about the monument would harmonize with its environment. To accomplish this, Mr. Sturges suggested, should be given to artists and architects only.

The members of the Commission then discussed the matter. Recorder Goff said he was strongly in favor of the plaza site, but that he thought he should subordinate his views to those of the artists and architects. He therefore offered a resolution considering the Commissioners' action in designating the site for the memorial, but it was not adopted.

ated, the Recorder alone voting for it. The matter of finally determining the site for the monument was laid over until the next meeting, in order to give the Commission an opportunity to inquire into the different sites proposed.

INITIATE LEASES FOR OYSTERS BEDS.

FRANCHISES GRANTED TO PLANTERS OF JAMAICA.

DUSTY STIMULATED.
Selfish Commissioner Edward Thompson, of New-York Fish, Game and Forest Commission, issued twenty-two additional leases to planter of Jamaica Bay yesterday, at his old office of the Commission, No. 53 Broadway. The leases were for a total of six acres of water ground in lots of from one

the acres each. They were issued under a law passed by the last Legislature, taking the contrary to the oyster grounds from the authorities of the bay and vesting it in the Commissioners. Under the law lots of from one to five acres each may be leased for a term of fifteen years for an annual rental of not less than \$100 per acre, which is the price at which the leases were issued. As the law is designed for

protection of the oyster planters rather than a source of revenue to the State, only the minimum was exacted.

Commissioner Thompson said: "There have been leases issued since August 12. All were at the rate of 20 cents an acre, except two lots on Long and Sound and one in Karlian Bay, which were let at 50 cents an acre. Formerly the oyster planters of Jamaica Bay had to pay \$10 a year for the right to plant oysters, and their tenure was very uncertain, the towns of

The survey of Jamaica Bay is not yet completed, but there will be about seventy-five more licenses granted when the official map is completed. There are about 20 planters in the bay and their annual output is valued at more than \$100,000. The map of the oyster grounds of Long Beach and Sound was finished some time ago, but there are tens of thousands of acres that have not yet been leased. The new system has greatly stimulated the oyster farming industry, and will be of great benefit to the fishing industry.

THE DISPOSAL OF GARBAGE, ETC.

in the bid box. This came from Zeph. F. McGill of Troy, who offered to do the work for five years at \$300,000 a year. The bid was defective in that Mr. McGill offered only one surety, while the board required two. The matter will be reported to the Board of Estimate when it meets next Monday. Mr. McGill is the contractor for disposing of the waste of Troy by cremation, where he has a large

...the operators of the plant
an intense heat through gas formed by mix-
ing crude petroleum and steam.
Contractors who were present when the bid was
opened said that they had refrained from bidding
because they regarded the conditions too severe. He
understood that a company which put in no bid
for some time had an offer pending before the
commissioner promising to remove all the street
debris, garbage and ashes at the rate of \$100
per ton.

EXPOS WANTED IN A COURT BUILDING.
Recorder Goff, at the meeting of the Sinking Fund Commissioners yesterday, said that many alterations and improvements were needed in the new Criminal Courts Building in Centre-st. These alterations, Commissioner of Public Works refused to make, because the building has not yet been turned over to the department on account of undetermined suits.

are because of the non-completion of the structure within the time stipulated in the building contracts. The improvements asked by the Recorder are changes in the room of the Clerk of General Sessions to make it convenient for a courtroom, setting up a new room for the clerk; fitting up a room for the court library; changes in the District Attorney's office and the prison pens, and extending the electric light system to all parts of the building.

THE FUNERAL OF DR. KNAPP

ing those present were August Belmont, James Keene, Colonel William P. Thompson, J. O. Donohue, Colonel Lawrence Kip, John H. Bradford, F. K. McGraw, F. R. Hitchcock, Matthew Riley, H. C. Moore, Frederick Gebhard, John M. Bowers, Edward Croker, Philip J. Dwyer, Joan Hunter, Arthur Rollins, John J. Hyland, John Kelly and others.

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Church and Racquet clubs and the officials of the
Harris County Bank were also present. The burial
was in Greenwood Cemetery.

NOT YET INFORMED OF HIS ELECTION.
The Rev. Dr. Henry Yates Satterlee, rector of Calvary
Church, who was on Friday last elected by the
Washington Convention to the bishopric of the new

re of Washington, has not yet been formally aware of his election. It was thought the committee appointed by the convention to confer with Dr. Satterlee the result of its decision would be made known to him yesterday. Replying to an inquiry of a Tribune reporter Dr. Satterlee said yesterday afternoon that he had given no consideration to the responsibilities of his acceptance or refusal of the nomination.

The Grand Jury yesterday dismissed the complaint against J. W. Parker & Co., ship brokers, of No. 100 West. It was alleged that the firm, prior to December, 1898, transmitted to J. W. Parker, individually, certain property of the firm to the value of \$150,000 to \$200,000, for the purpose of preventing insolvent defrauding creditors. The complainant was George C. Tuers, a bookkeeper for one of the firm.

work. It was alleged that the firm in favor of Troop & Co., of New York, for \$30,000. The matter was brought up before the Tombs Police Court last September. The complaint was dismissed, because there was not sufficient evidence that the property transferred really belonged to the firm.